

Sharing of Tools and Information

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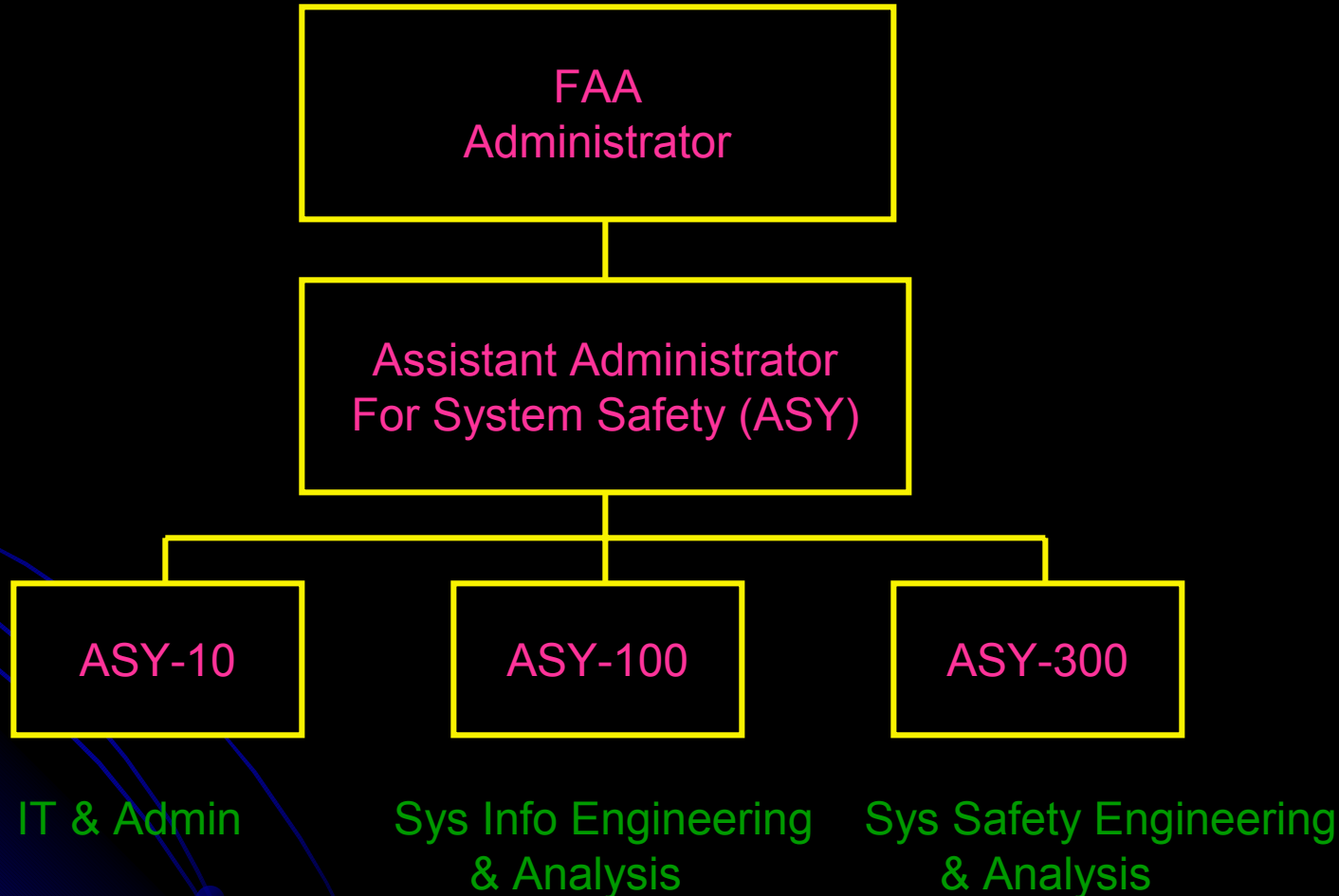
Mission:

Provide leadership in developing, distributing, and applying system safety analytical tools and processes for identifying and resolving safety issues by the international aerospace community

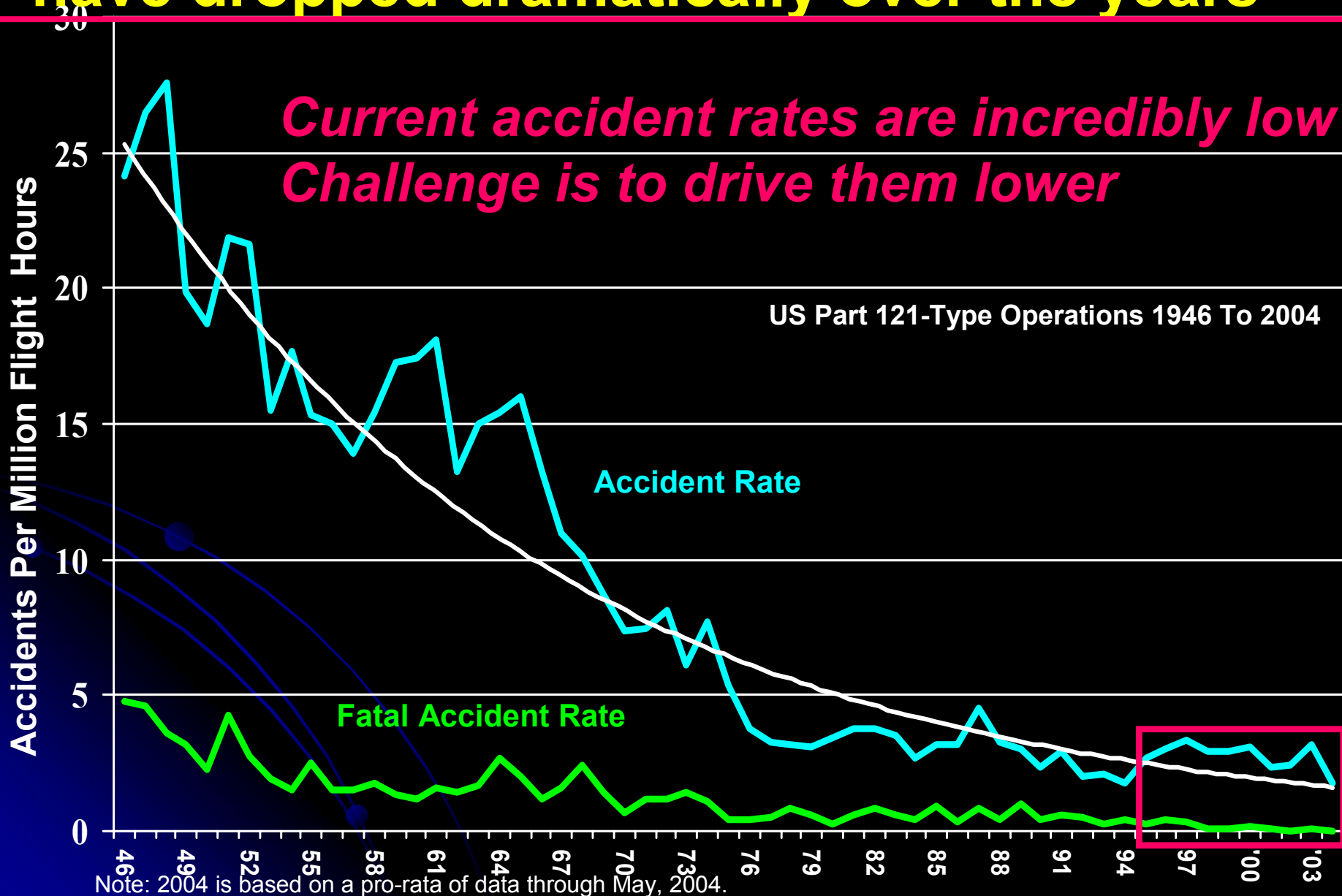
Vision:

Maintain international leadership in developing, disseminating, and applying methods for identifying and resolving aerospace system safety issues.

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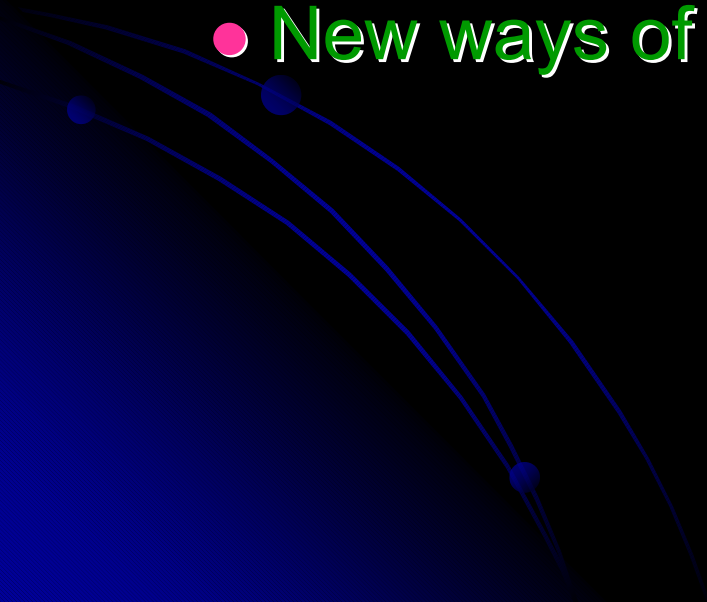


Accident rates in US and Western Europe have dropped dramatically over the years

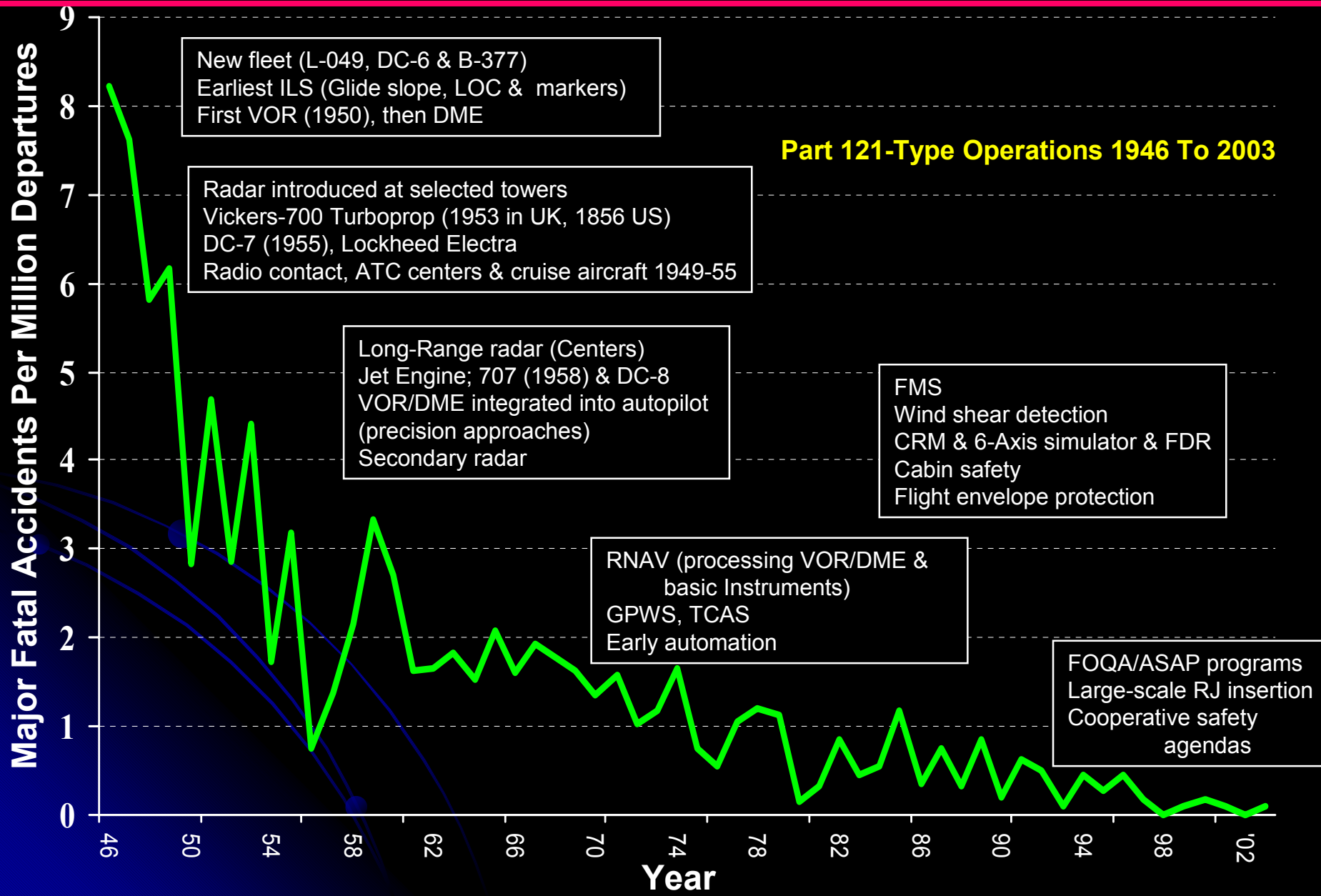


Achieving Accident Reductions

- Technology
- Procedures
- Analysis
 - New Data Sources
 - New ways of analyzing old data



New capabilities & Focused Actions



Technology

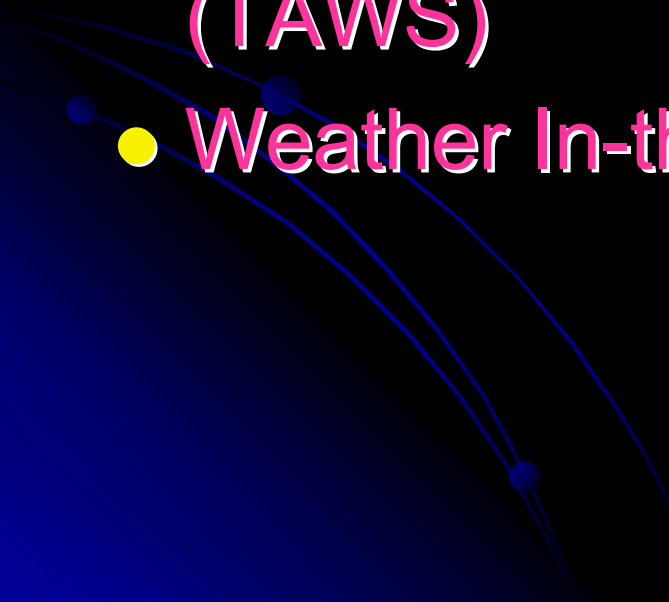
- Automatic Ground Collision Avoidance System (AGCAS)
 - DOD Aviation Safety Improvement Task Force Number 2 priority behind MFOQA
 - FY93-04 \$3.5B in CFIT loss
 - Believe 90% could have been avoided
- Automatic Airborne Collision Avoidance System (AACAS)
 - Other than for fighters, TCAS is adequate

Controlled Flight into Things



or a Land and Hold Short Operation

Technology

- Ground Proximity Warning System (GPWS)
 - Enhanced GPWS (EGPWS)
 - Terrain Awareness Warning System (TAWS)
 - Weather In-the-Cockpit
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Procedures

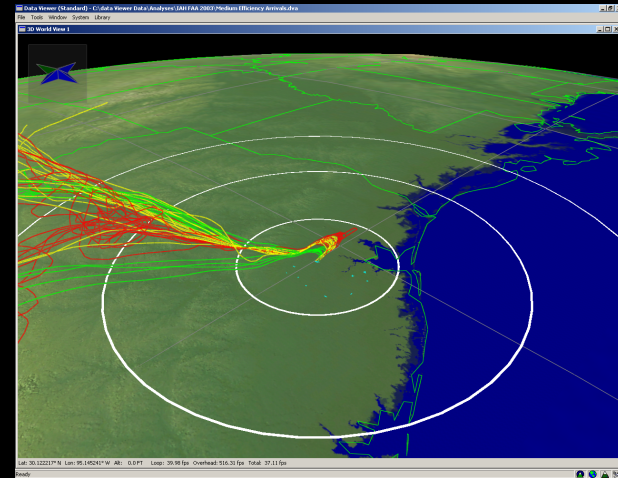
- Safety Culture
 - Safety Risk Management
 - Air carriers
 - General aviation
 - Regulators
 - Safety Management Systems
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Analysis

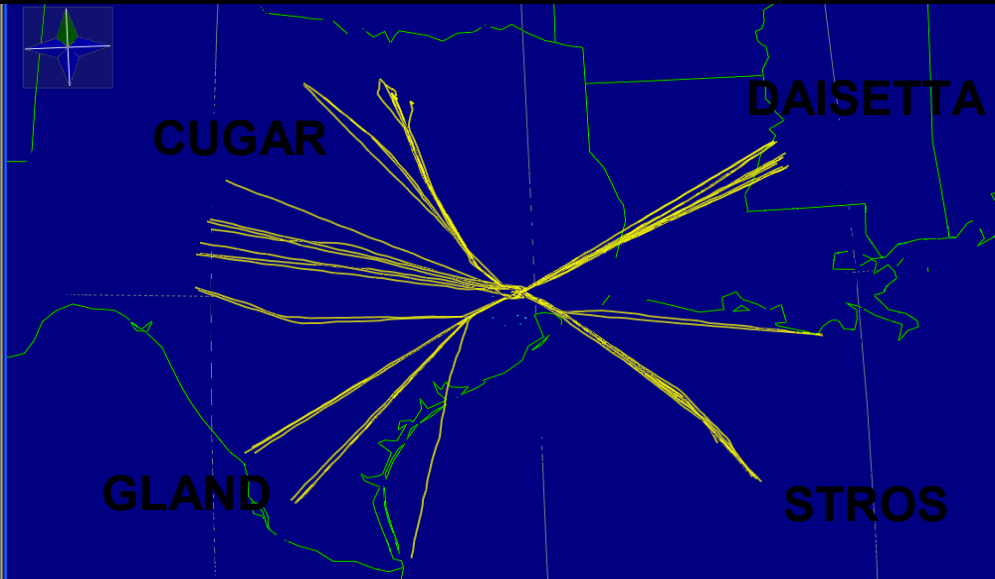
- New Sources of Data
 - Aviation Safety Action Programs (ASAP)
 - Flight Operations Quality Assurance (FOQA)
- New Look at Old Data
 - Applying tools from other areas to aviation data
 - Intelligence community text and data mining applied to textual aviation data
 - FOQA visualization and analysis tool applied to digital aviation data

Capabilities of Visualization and Analysis Tool

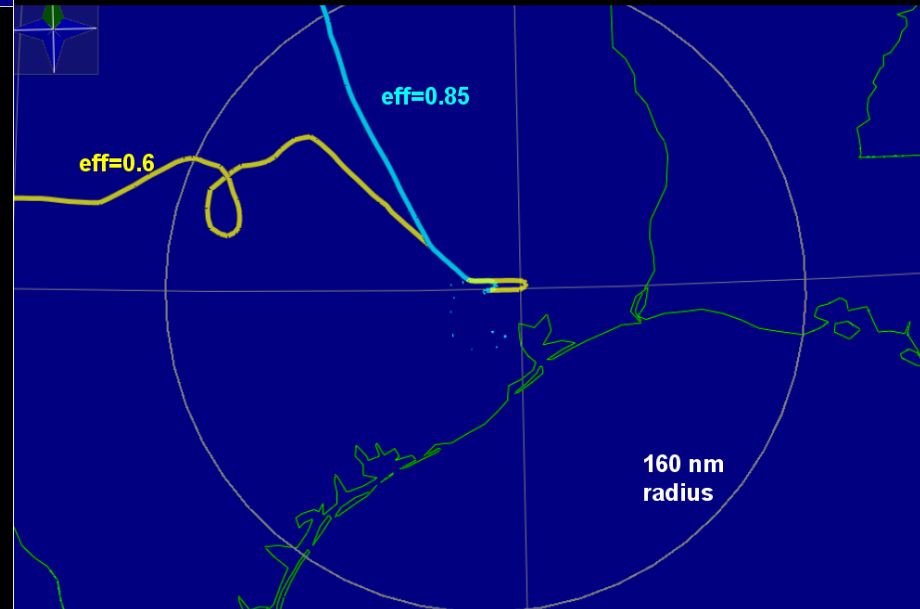
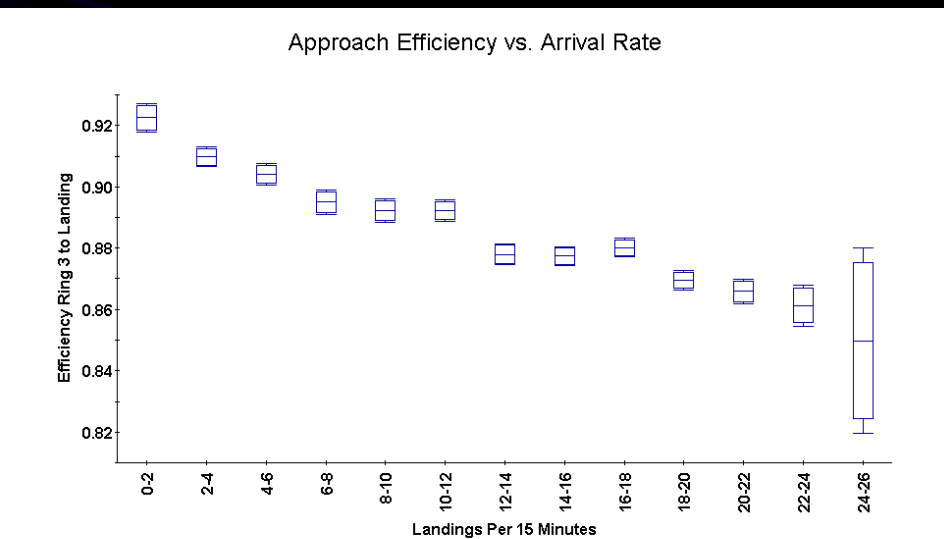
- Provides the ability to merge, integrate, and utilize various data types and then identify events of interest
- Allows for user-configurable measurements, trending, correlations, drill-down, and visualizations
- User-configurable framework enables rapid and flexible processing of diverse aviation analysis requirements
- Tool enables experts to rapidly explore & develop measures important to safety & operations



IAH Visualization & Analysis



Distance-Based Arrival Efficiency Measure
Agrees with Intuition

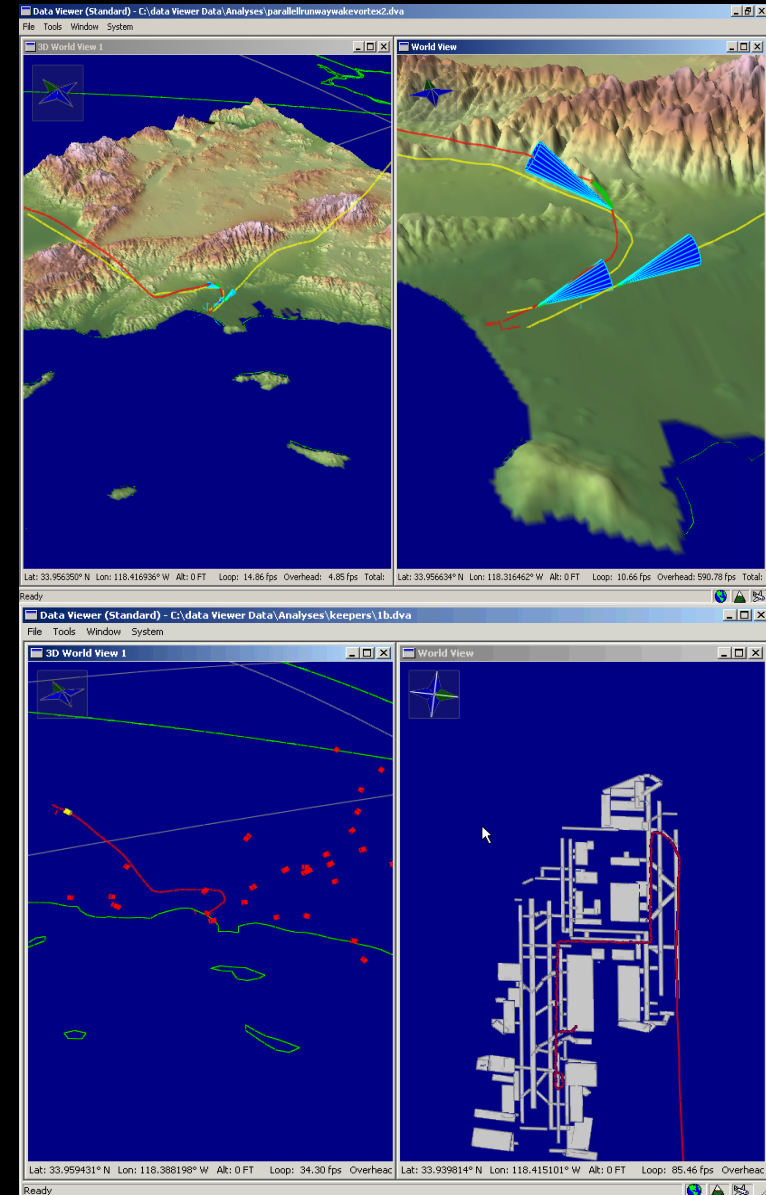


Current Focus of Work

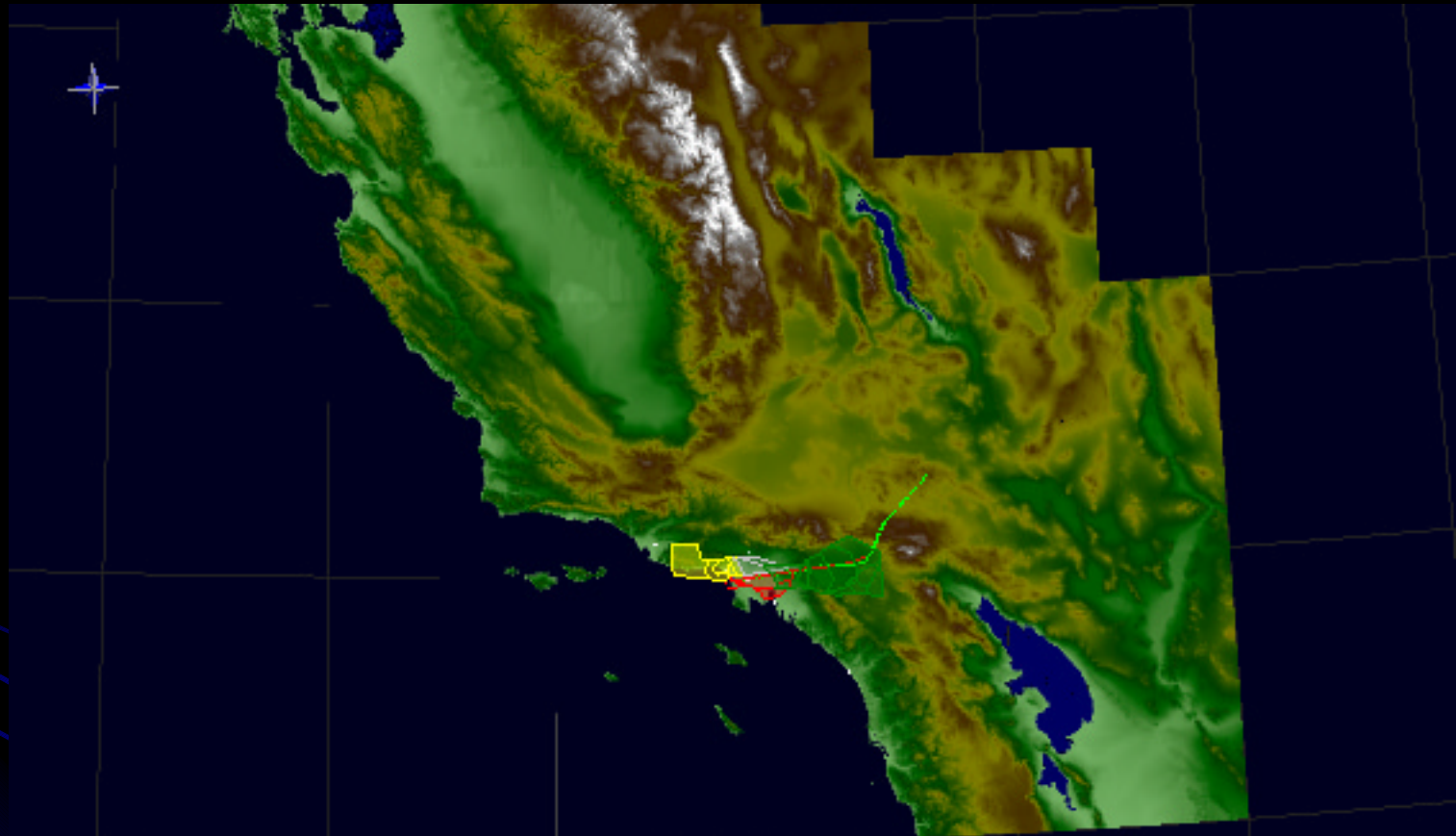
- Application to real-world problems:
 - Aircraft separation and closure rate metrics
 - TCAS RAs issues identified by airlines
 - Improve and validate traffic complexity metrics
 - Provide analysis and data for stochastic modeling of human factors for runway safety

Support Runway Safety Office Stochastic Modeling Human Factors

- Support Runway Safety Office with data from actual operations for purpose of modeling and prediction.
- Provide measurements of runway occupancy time, closest proximity of aircraft & other physical measures derived from aircraft temporal positions at airport.
- Provide measurements related to probability of encountering wake vortex event



Airspace Visualization



Terrain & Airspace

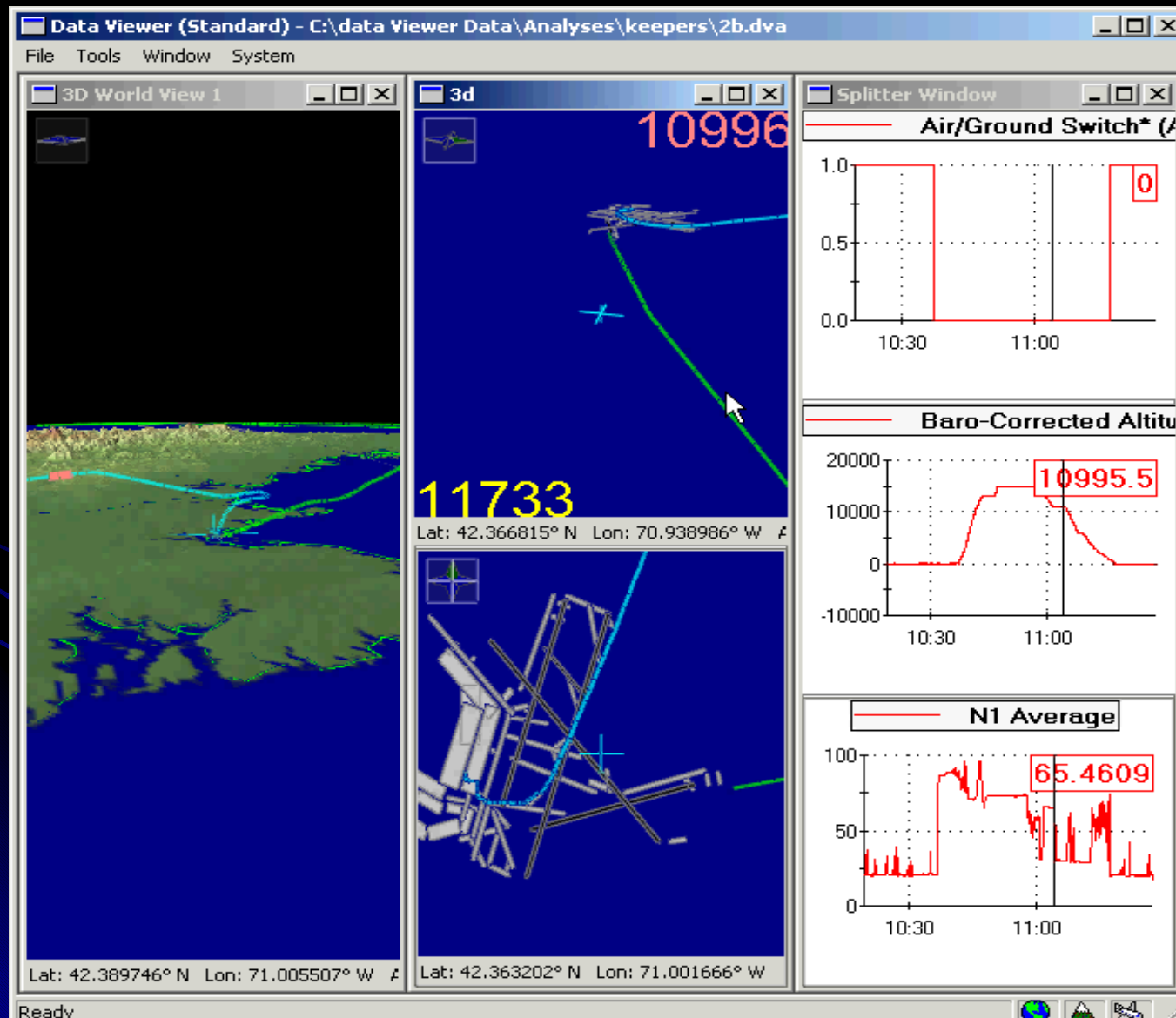
Runway Change Visualization



LAX: “Turning the Boat”



BOS Multi Data Visualizations



The Future ??

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Analysis and Data Integration

- Weather
- Terrain
- FOQA
- Radar
- Airports-
- Routes
- Approaches
- Voice
- Video